

Civics and Government: Essentials (Grades 6-8)	Trustworthiness	Respect	Responsibility	Fairness	Caring	Citizenship	Activities
2SS-E3. Describe political philosophies and concepts of government that became the foundation for the American Revolution and United States government, with emphasis on:			X	X		X	
PO 1: ideas of the nature of government and rights of individuals expressed in the Declaration of Independence with its roots in British philosophers such as John Locke						X	
PO 2: the concept of limited government and the rule of law established in the Magna Carta and the English Bill of Rights			X			X	
PO 3: the social covenant established in the Mayflower Compact			X	X		X	"Mayflower Compact / Classroom Compact"
PO 4: the characteristics of republican and representative governments			X			X	
PO 5: anti-Federalist and Federalist arguments for and against the new Constitution, including those expressed in <i>The Federalist Papers</i>						X	
PO 6: the concepts of federalism, democracy, bicameralism, separation of powers, and checks and balances	X		X			X	

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2SS-E4. Identify concepts of government as expressed in the United States Constitution and explain the powers granted to the three branches of government and those reserved to the states, with emphasis on:			X			X	
PO 1: the federal system dividing sovereignty between the states and the federal government						X	
PO 2: the separation of powers through the development of the executive, legislative, and judicial branches of government						X	
PO 3: John Marshall's role in judicial review, including <i>Marbury v. Madison</i>						X	
2SS-E5. Identify and describe a citizens' fundamental constitutional rights, with emphasis on:						X	
PO 1: freedom of religion, expression, assembly, and press						X	"A Letter to the Editor"
PO 2: right to a fair trial						X	"Invite a judge"
PO 3: equal protection and due process						X	"Legal system and fairness"
2SS-E6. Describe the structure, functions, and powers of the Arizona state and local governments and their relationship to the federal government, with emphasis on:	X		X			X	

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PO 1: the purposes of the Arizona Constitution						X	"Write a Classroom Constitution"
PO 2: the roles and methods of initiative, referendum, and recall processes						X	
PO 3: the function of multiple executive offices						X	
PO 4: the election process, including primaries and general elections						X	"Elections"
PO 5: the criminal justice system, including juvenile justice						X	
PO 6: the roles and relationships of different levels of government, including federal, state, county, city/town, and tribal			X			X	
2SS-E7. Explain the obligations and responsibilities of citizenship, with emphasis on:			X			X	
PO 1: the obligations of upholding the Constitution, obeying the law, paying taxes, and registering for selective service and jury duty			X			X	
PO 2: involvement in political decision-making, including voting, petitioning public officials, and analyzing issues			X			X	
2SS-E8. Explain the significance of famous speeches to the duties of citizenship, with emphasis on:						X	
PO 1: George Washington's Farewell Address						X	

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PO 2: Abraham Lincoln's Gettysburg Address						X	
PO 3: Martin Luther King, Jr.'s "I Have a Dream" speech						X	